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Excise Police Arrest 24 People, Cite Bar in Muncie

MUNCIE, Ind. (Dec. 12) – Indiana State Excise Police officers arrested 24 people and cited one business in Muncie this weekend.

Excise officers patrolling Muncie this weekend arrested 24 people on 33 charges, most for alcohol and drug offenses.

Seventeen minors were cited for illegal possession of alcohol and an adult was charged with furnishing alcohol to a minor. Seven people were arrested on drug-related charges. Excise officers also issued five traffic tickets over the weekend.

Jonathan Jarvis of Plainfield was incarcerated for illegal possession of alcohol, public intoxication, resisting arrest and false informing after he attempted to flee on foot from police near Linden and Wayne.

Hutson Jamison of Muncie was arrested at Wheeling and Centennial for possession of marijuana. He was a passenger in car driven by Damon Goodman of Selma who had been stopped by excise police for a traffic violation. Indiana State Police arrested Goodman for operating while intoxicated and excise police officers issued him a traffic summons.

Excise police officers also cited BMW's, 206 E. Williard, for failing to meet minimum food requirements. A report on this violation will be filed with the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission.

"State excise police officers will continue to focus on enforcing Indiana law on and near the state's college campuses to promote the safety of students and residents in these communities," Superintendent Matt Strittmatter said.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission. Excise officers enforce all state laws, but focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related violations.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.